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Group in the Governor's office. Left to right: Sacha St. Hill, Stephanie Danikas, Meghann Gillette, Brendan Reilly, Liza Ghalieh, Gov. Jeb Bush, Gretchen Kita, Liz Schillo, Dr. Hudson Reynolds, Dr. Marco Rimanelli, and Lt. Gov. Toni Jennings

Pi Sigma Alpha honor students meet governor on trip to Tallahassee

BY STEPHANIE DANIKAS
Special to the Lions' Pride

On Thursday and Friday, March 23 and 24, 2006, students in Saint Leo University's Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science Honor Society, with Dr. Hudson Reynolds and Dr. Marco Rimanelli as PSA Advisors, visited Tallahassee. PSA is a national honor society that advocates raising awareness of political issues in the lives of students.

Students toured the Capitol Building, the Governor's office, the Florida Legislature, and participated in a mock trial in Florida's Supreme Court. A private 20- minute joint session with Gov. Bush and Lt. Gov. Toni Jennings was the defining moment of the trip. Gov. Bush opened his office to the group, posing for a photo, which he signed and mailed to Saint Leo for each of the students. He also discussed current books of interest. He personally autographed and gave his own copy of Doris Kearns Goodwin's Pulitzer Prize winning book *Team of Rivals* to PSA President Liza Ghalieh, who was overwhelmed with excitement and emotion.

Other tours included the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development (OTTED) with Scott Openshaw, director of communications, who is the spokesman for the Governor on all issues of tourism. Students also met with John Vanlandingham, the director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government (OPPAGA).

The group had a private security-cleared tour of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and its Crime Scene Investigations Department. Students were personally briefed by FDLE Commissioner Guy Tunnell, who has personal connections to the Tampa and Pasco area. Part of the tour of the crime lab included the following departments: DNA labs, digital evidence collecting, firearms, toxicology, and latent prints. Students were introduced to a severed hand preserved for 30 years in a jar of formaldehyde and a briefcase-sized couple of blocks of cocaine just seized by police.

On Thursday night, the group dined at the *Silver Slipper,* an upscale restaurant whose walls are adorned with the likes of John F. Kennedy, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, and other notables of their time, all of whom were patrons or worked there.

The last tour, on Friday, was of the Florida Supreme Court, during which Supreme Court Justice Peggy Quince gave a brief history of the court and answered questions. This was then followed by a mock trial in which students

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Paintball takes aim at Saint Leo

BY NICOLE BROWN
Lions' Pride Staff Writer

Basketballs, soccer goals, lacrosse sticks, and paintball splats?

That's right; paintball has made its way to Saint Leo University, first starting as a Facebook group, and now expanding to a university supported club.

Schools such as Florida State University, Broward Community College, Florida Gulf Coast, and the University of Florida have established paintball clubs. Since 1980 when paintball was first introduced, it has been a growing interest. It's not as big as football and baseball, but it has been making its way on college campuses all over the world; it's no surprise the sport has hit Saint Leo.

"We need more sports on this campus. The ones we have are for students that have been watched. There may be one or two walk-ons; paintball is all walk-ons," says junior Darius Lewis.

Paintball is a fast-paced sport, a highly competitive game. It is a version of capture the flag, tag, or hide-and-seek, with a few more consequences. It's not for the weak at heart or soft at skin. With a ball moving at 200 mph towards a person's face, neck, back, or leg, it can get a little scary, and on contact, painful. Bruises can last for a few hours up to a few months.

So why play such a violent sport that will leave nickel-sized marks on impact? Many players say it's the adrenaline rush, running around hiding behind these dorito looking objects called bunkers and

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Get ready for finals

BY ASHIQ ZAMAN
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(U-WIRE) NORMAN, Okla. - The growing pain in my upper back along with diminishing hours of sleep are my indication the semester is nearing its end.

Weeks past, which flew by as a series of dull repetitions of normal academic tasks, were recently replaced by a flurry of last-minute exams and papers calling an end to the acquisition of any new knowledge. What follows is something we are all quite familiar with - the comprehensive integration (and retention) of everything.

The irony of spring final exams is that the newly green, freshly mowed fields and blossoming flowers, not to mention the fantastic weather, make studying the last thing we actually desire to accomplish. Rather, lazier days spent feeding ducks or playing tennis come to mind as reasonable alternatives.

To make things worse, I find that even the most vapid or mundane topics can completely capture my attention during this time of year. Recently, while searching for an open desk in the library, I was drawn to an obscure naturalist journal from 1967, outlining the cyclical eating patterns of the duckbill platypus. After an hour of reading, I reached two conclusions. First, the platypus is a pretty fascinating, albeit awkward creature. Second, casually studying marine mammals probably won't increase my likelihood of passing exams.

It seems most unfair that an entire semester's work can hinge on a two-hour performance. A slight cold or a case of nerves can rattle us into making very costly mistakes. I suppose the opposite, however, is also true. A good final can seal the deal.

Keen instinct applied to a single multiple-choice question is sometimes enough to cross the line. Indeed, the "make or break" protocol is in full effect during finals week. So how can we make such a giant, often risky burden more manageable?

I think the first step to achieving finals success is having a consistent and systematic approach. This entails making lists of topics to review (or finally learn) and attack that list from the top down. I am sure to mention consistency because the process of list-making should be done only once.

Second, though I've found this sometimes the most difficult step, it is a good idea to meet with teaching assistants and professors to either get approval of your approach or to hammer out any fundamentals over which you are unsure. I'm always surprised with how effectively this streamlines the process of studying. It's normally a good idea to carry out this step at least two weeks before exams (about now).

Third, as proven by my platypus fascination, maintaining focus is essential. Focused studying ensures that we minimize the amount of time we spend while maximizing our productive output.

Lastly, and perhaps most important, we should take the time (even if in passing) to enjoy the world around us. After all, spring symbolizes the hope embodied by birth and the blossoming of new life, not the infinitely deep puddle of destruction usually represented by final exams.

In less than a month the flowers and greenery adorning campus will have considerably fewer patrons to enjoy their beauty. The buildings will be relatively empty. Once-purring Scantron graders will be switched to the "off" position and most of you will have returned to your respective home towns.

In the limited time that lay ahead of us here, I say we embrace the experience.

Universal's 'United 93' a must see?

BY ANGIE BERGH
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(U-WIRE) CORVALLIS, Ore. - My friends and I were in the theater exchanging the usual snide remarks throughout the usual barrage of previews and commercials. Our interest was piqued when one of the previews began with passengers boarding a plane. Was the widespread Internet rumor about to be confirmed? Would the plane take off and giant snakes suddenly fall from the overhead compartments? I was sure this would be a riot.

But rather than a cheesy preview for Snakes on a Plane, we encountered an unexpectedly somber and gut-wrenching sight. My smirk quickly faded with the words "hijacked plane," and a clip from the video that was burned into my brain back on Sept. 11, 2001.

This preview for Universal's "United 93" both surprised and irked me. We're the generation that experienced this tragedy. In one form or another, we were there as it was happening. And now Hollywood wants to can that experience and sell it back to us as entertainment?

Perhaps my irritation would have faded had I not chosen to visit several online forums and blogs on the matter afterwards. But I did, and while I took issue with points on both sides of the argument, there was a sentiment on the more right-wing side that bothered me. This sentiment can be summed up in the position of radio talk show host and columnist Dennis Prager, who wrote a piece for TownHall.com, entitled "All Americans Must See United 93."
After attending an advance screening of the film, Prager suggested, "The only people likely to object to this film are those who don't want Americans to become aware of just how conscienceless, cruel and depraved our enemy is, or those who think that our enemies can always be negotiated with and therefore object to depicting Americans actually fighting back." Furthermore, he believes that "... it is just about every American's duty to see this film." Prager's column displays an extreme callousness that ought to be rejected. Yes, indulging in a perpetual national victim mentality is wrong; yes, many Americans could use a little perspective on our nation's enemies. But it is no better to completely dismiss the effects of this tragedy on those who may be more empathetic than ourselves.

To insist that we must all "suck it up," bite our collective lips and force ourselves to sit through a film from that day is ridiculous. It ignores the differences in the way we each deal with pain and grief. And it ignores the number of reasons for avoiding the movie that have nothing to do with politics or patriotism at all.

Molly McCaroll of the Family Security Foundation wrote, "I won't watch United 93 for the same reason that I can't watch movies about kids and their ponies, about dogs that die trying to rescue their masters, or about parents and children who repair rocky relationships just in time for one to be diagnosed with a terminal illness. I don't like to sit in a movie theater and turn into a blubbering, weeping idiot."

I have friends who share the sentiments of Ms. McCaroll and will not watch United 93 when it comes out. I will probably see it - but there are still other means of understanding the Sept. 11 tragedy that I would more readily endorse.

Last summer, while in New York, I had the opportunity to visit the World Trade Center site. An already vivid memory of that day was further solidified after seeing the size of the surrounding buildings still covered with black tarp and gazing into that gaping hole in the New York skyline. That is the sight that I wish all of us could see in person.

The events of Sept. 11, 2001 and the stories of the brave men and women on United Flight 93 should not be forgotten, ignored or suppressed. But there is certainly a degree of compassion we can show our fellow man without doing so.

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The great performer in Woody Parrett

BY LINDA JOHNSON
Special to the Lions' Pride

Whether teaching math to a full capacity classroom of college students or entertaining a full house audience, Woody Parrett is a great performer.

Inactively retired best describes Woody Parrett's present position as an adjunct professor and professional musician. He teaches lower level mathematics courses at Saint Leo University, which frequently reach full capacity soon after registration begins. He also tutors high school students at home.

"Our house is always filled with kids. We love kids," Parrett said.

Like the music he plays, Parrett jazzes up even the dreariest days. His smile is one of sincere happiness. It is like there is a light that shines from the inside out, which he gladly shares generously with everyone. Similarly, the sweet music that whines and bends enticingly from his lips to the trumpet really begins in the same place, the place his smile comes from.

Parrett became interested in music as a teenager. When he was 14 years old, he snuck away from his house and rented a trumpet all by himself. He played it when his mother wasn't home. Then, he started taking trumpet lessons from Sammy Spears, formerly the conductor for the Jackie Gleason Show.

"On the weekends, Sammy used to meet me somewhere and take me to Greenwich Village to play with his band. I'd play a couple hours, and Sammy would bring me home around midnight," said Parrett. "I told my mom that I was going to alter boy practice."

Woody earned his bachelor of arts degree at Manhattan College in Riverdale, New York. In 1960, he began teaching math to junior high school students. Later, he became a high school administrator on Long Island. He also served in the National Guard for 15 years.

Parrett and wife, Maureen, a retired nurse, have been married for 22 years. In addition to being a committed teacher, Parrett is still playing as a freelance jazz trumpet player . He plays with several band members three or four nights a week. He has gigs all over the Tampa Bay Area.

Locally, he plays at the Tiki Hut on State Road 54. Sometimes, he and his guys play jazz concerts for Saint Leo University. The Jazz Ensemble received a standing ovation when they played last October. Each member and the mastery of their instrument is featured throughout the concert. They tell jokes and tease one another as though they were standing in someone's living room.

"Everything we do is off the top of our heads," said Parrett. "We don't need to have the sheet music, we know the stuff, and we can play in whatever key we want."

The energy Parrett's jazz ensembles put forth is contagious. Everyone has a good time, and the talent can be heard, even to those who aren't often privy to this kind of musical experience.

"It's a dying art," Woody worries. "We are all getting old. One of the guys is in his 90s."

Parrett has taken time off this semester after recovering from a temporary illness. When he is spotted by several groups of students in the school cafeteria, it is much like a movie star sighting.

"Oh Mr. Parrett, how are you and where have you been?" asks a small group of female college students.

"Don't worry," he says smiling. "I'm coming back in the fall. I'm teaching three classes."

"You are," ask the girls hopefully and simultaneously.

Parrett takes this movie star sighting humbly; he excuses himself politely and returns to Maureen who is accompanying him for lunch. He talks about his upcoming gig at the Tiki Hut.

Students test their skills at Casino Night

BY PRIYAMVADA CHAUDHARY
Lions' Pride Staff Writer

As the name itself suggests, Casino Night was an extremely fun event, and the students thoroughly enjoyed it. The shrieks of excitement and bouts of laughter at small intervals made the enjoyment evident.

Casino Night was organized by Residence Life and Student Involvement, and it was held on Thursday, March 16, 2006 from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. RAs and professors of various faculties helped with the evening.

The event was well-publicized, so it could involve as many students as possible. The RAs told their residents about it and reminded them to come. The venue was the café, a place every student knows well and visits a lot; therefore, it was a very appropriate location for the event. Before a person could enter the café, each one had to fill out a Residence Life survey. Once completed, they were given a bag of chips. The bag contained chips that would be used to play the various games.

The café was decorated, and the tables were arranged in an orderly fashion with games like black jack and poker. Each table had a dealer who was a member of the Residence Life staff and a few professors. There was gambling, and students either lost some of their chips or gained some depending on how well they played the games. Sometimes, dealers would come around giving free chips, and the excited shrieks of the students could be heard because all of them wanted free chips.

As expected at any community event, there were refreshments too. They had grapes, strawberries, smoothies, chicken wings, shell fish and a few other delicious items.

"The appetizers were yummy and provided an extra flavor to the very exciting event, but the Casino night would have been just as fun even without the food," Kimberly Small said.

When a person collected 10 chips, he or she could exchange the 10 chips for a raffle ticket. There was a long table with a couple of RAs and other Residence Life staff members, and they were the ones doing the exchange of chips for raffle tickets. Toward the end of the night, lots of students queued up in a long line that ran about half the length of the cafeteria. There was an aura of excitement, anticipation, and glee, which diffused from their cores and filled the cafeteria. All of them wanted to exchange the chips they had collected for raffle tickets. After raffle tickets were obtained, students gave them to the staff collecting them.

Finally, the raffling of prizes commenced. The prizes had been contributed by each and every department of the University. There were TVs, gift certificates, PS2s, XBOXs, CDs, DVDs, bags, cosmetics, clothes, and more given out to the various students who won. As the names of the winners were announced, their excited shrieks could be heard from among the crowd. First, the announcer would tell everyone what prize was being raffled, and then he would announce the winner's name. Depending on what the prizes were, people were highly excited or disappointed. For example, Nelva Bruneau, a male freshman, who was one of the winners wasn't very satisfied with his prize.

Students enjoyed the night, and many prizes were given away throughout the night.

"I won girls' clothing and cosmetics," he said. "I wish I had won something more valuable for the number of tickets I invested in the raffling draw, something more exciting like a PS2 or an XBOX or a TV. Next, year I will dedicate all my time and effort into discovering the secret strategy for winning a good prize."

On the other hand, Magda Baksh, a female freshman, was very excited about the bag that she won.

"The Casino Night was so exciting, and I thoroughly enjoyed myself," she said. "I won a black bag with some toiletries in it."

Ryan Knowles, another disappointed male freshman ,won a basket of cotton balls and a manicure set.

So, the night turned out to be satisfying for some people and not so satisfying for some. But, it's all luck and it's all in the game. Even the disappointed winners were able to laugh and joke about their prizes with great sportsmanship.

Students, however, were only allowed to win one prize each on Casino Night; this is only fair because it allows for everyone to have a higher chance to win, instead of one lucky person getting all of the prizes.

The main purpose for the organizing of Casino Night was to foster the core values of Saint Leo University, namely community, respect, integrity, and excellence.

"Casino Night is a night that a lot of students look forward to on campus," said Debaro Huyler, an RA in Marmion/Snyder. "At Casino Night students get the opportunity to win a few great prizes, TV's, DVD players, video games, clothing, computer systems, and even stereo systems. One of the Saint Leo core values it promotes is community. The event gives both student and faculty the opportunity to interact in a social atmosphere promoting community."

As so many people have commented, Casino Night was a lot of fun, so don't miss out next year on a great night full of fun.

Photograph by Nicole Williams

Paintball has become a popular passtime at many of the college in Florida, Darius Lewis takes a shot from behind a bunker.

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shooting at their friends. It's a great way to exercise and relieve stress.

"Some people read a book or sing. I play paintball," said Lewis. It calms me down, and I get to relive any stress that has been on my shoulders through the week, and I get to exercise at the same time."

Never heard of paintball? Well, here's a bit of information on the newest club on campus. Lewis is the club's president and Ryan Regensdorfer is the vice president; there is also a club secretary, treasurer, and pr/ historian. As of now, the club is just in the recruiting stage, taking guys and girls who are interested, to start their roster.

The current members go every other weekend to a field in the area to practice, and the club has hopes to begin tournaments in the future. Going to the fields and entering tournaments cost money, but also could result in bringing home big checks. Paintball teams play in tournaments that can be viewed on ESPN, and they participate in the Paintball World Cup held at Disney Wide World of Sports in October.

Just like any other sport, there is equipment needed to participate. The marker is the main part of the paintball gun, and when purchased comes with the barrel and trigger; however, a person can buy upgrades for these parts.

Two additional parts to the marker that require an additional purchase are the hopper and air tank. The hopper is a round-shaped device on the top of the gun that holds the paintballs; the air tank is part of the function that gets the ball through the gun and out the barrel.

There is also safety equipment that is very useful in protecting a person's skin. The only required safety equipment is a face mask; however, chest protectors, neck guards, cups, gloves, and special sports bras are available.

All the safety gear is to help eliminate some of the bruises that result from playing the game. The club has planned to do some risk management programs for the campus explaining the correct way to engage in the sport and how to exercise properly to get your muscles working for the new ways in which they will be used.

The club already has a list of goals they wish to accomplish besides field and tournament play. They have community service projects forming that they would like to contribute their time to besides the campus wide community service days. They also have some fundraisers planned to eliminate the cost of being part of the club.

The community service projects and fundraisers are also ways to get the campus and community involved and aware of the paintball club. The events the club has planned range from having a student versus faculty and staff game to singing Christmas carols at nursing homes.

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Group in front of Captiol Building. Left to right: Brendan Riley, Meghann Gillette, Sacha St. Hill, Liza Ghalieh, Gretchen Kita, Liz Schillo, and Stephanie Danikas

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participated, playing the roles of justices, petitioners, and respondents.

During the visit, it became clear that numerous internship opportunities exist within the offices that were toured on the trip. Students were also encouraged both to become involved in politics and current events in Florida, as well as apply for internships.

Overall, the 2006 trip to Tallahassee was a memorable one filled with opportunities and enough memories to last a life time. After all, how many college students can say they were within arm's length of the brother of the president of the United States?

SENIOR GRADUATION ISSUE

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Dr. Kirk poses with Senior Class President Ivar (Alex) Jeserun and Vice President Tracey Fifield.

Graduating seniors in SGU

BY JENNIFER REILLY
Lions' Pride Editor

Several times throughout the year, students are invited to buy tickets to trips to Sea World, STOMP, dinner shows, and many other events for usually no more than five dollars. These events, along with countless others, are possible because of a few peers who work very hard and often go unrecognized. The Student Government Union (SGU) is composed of five officers of an executive board and two representatives from each class. This year, four members of the executive board will graduate along with the two senior class representatives.

Among the graduating seniors are President Joe Stubbs, Vice-President of Operations Regina Forbes, Treasurer Andrew Johnson, Secretary Catherine O'Connor, Senior Class President Ivar (Alex) Jeserun, and Senior Class Vice-President Tracey Fifield.

The executive board holds elections to determine who will follow in their footsteps and lead the student body by hosting events and holding the SGU meetings. The officers for the 2006-2007 academic year were announced at the SGU annual award ceremony on Thursday, April 20. They are President Kenrick Roberts, Vice-President of Operations Domenic Mainelli, Vice-President of Activities Justin Donnelly, Treasurer Lauren Tello, and Secretary Mary Major.

While the new executive board is sure to do an amazing job, the graduating members of this year's board will be missed. They are several of the friendliest students on campus and the most reliable of student leaders. The executive board members and the senior representatives will take with them the memories and experiences that could have only been the result of their time invested in the leadership of the student body.

"My favorite SGU memory was the SGU meetings themselves. I enjoyed just being there with all the clubs and organization representatives, talking about all the events that were being held. I got to know so many people during these meetings that I probably would have never met if I was not a part of SGU," said Fifield.

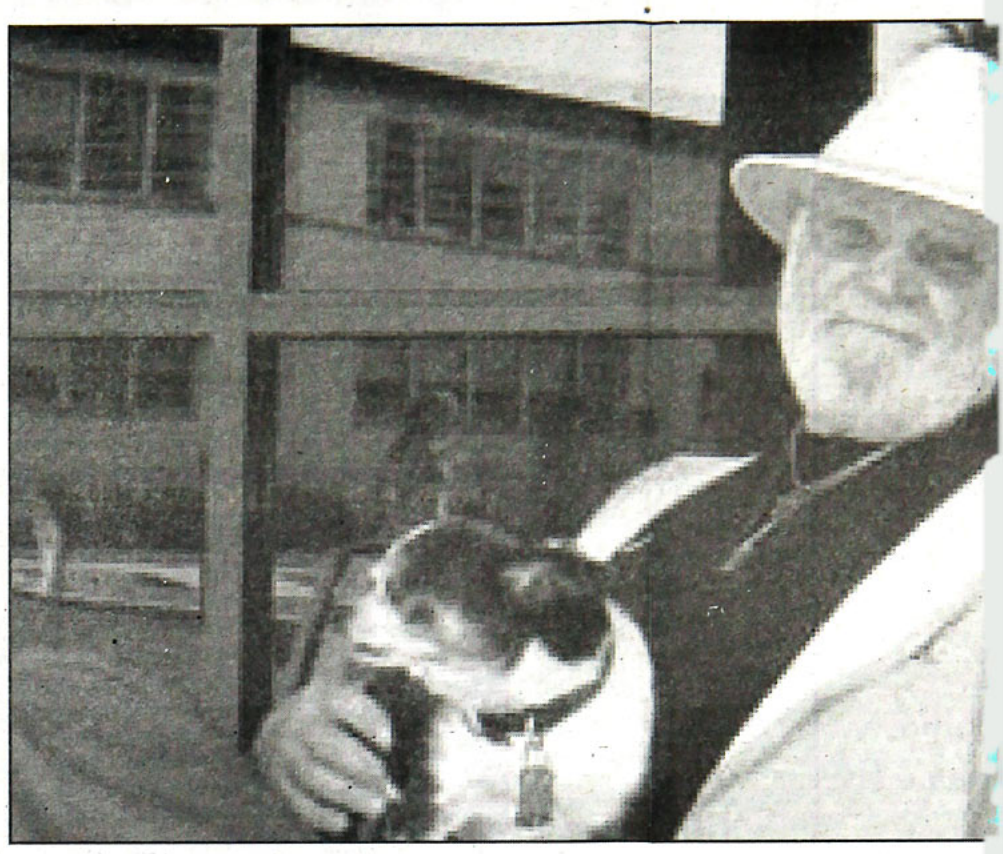
"My favorite memory is dancing and singing in the office. We are always too loud and crazy in there, and I love it and will miss it immensely," added O'Connor. As they begin to embark on the new chapter in their lives, the seniors of Saint Leo offer underclassmen an amazing resource in their memories and ideas.

"My advice for future and current students is to make the most of your time. It honestly flies by, and each year goes faster and faster. These years only come along once, so get involved in as much as you can, build the best family away from home, and remember to always keep a smile on your face," said O'Connor.

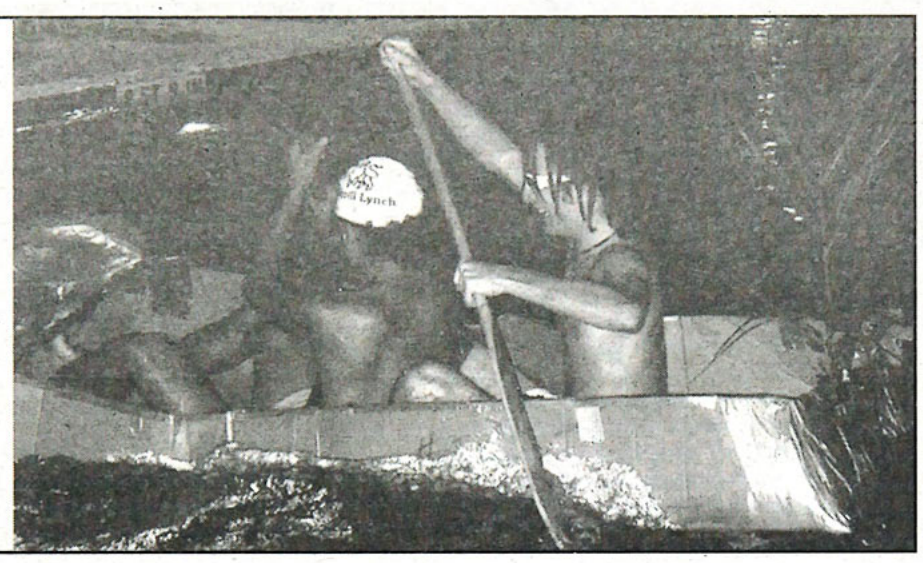
Memories and friends have been made

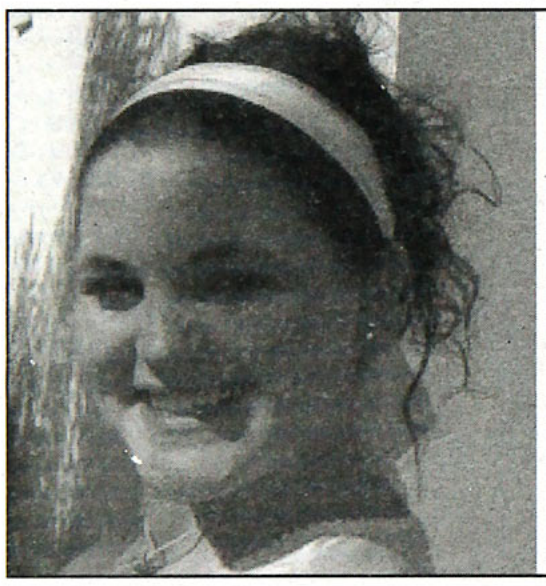
"My most memorable time was when I pulled an all-nighter, ran in a half marathon, and then took an exam."

Walter "Antonio" Vargas



The males proved during Greek Week that a boat can be made of cardboard and duct tape and still float.





"I'll be headed home to Massachusetts in order to save some money, so that I can travel and see a lot more of the country."

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"My favorite memory here at Leo had to be all of freshman year. Nothing can replace the friendships I made and the crazy times; nothing at Leo has been better than that year."

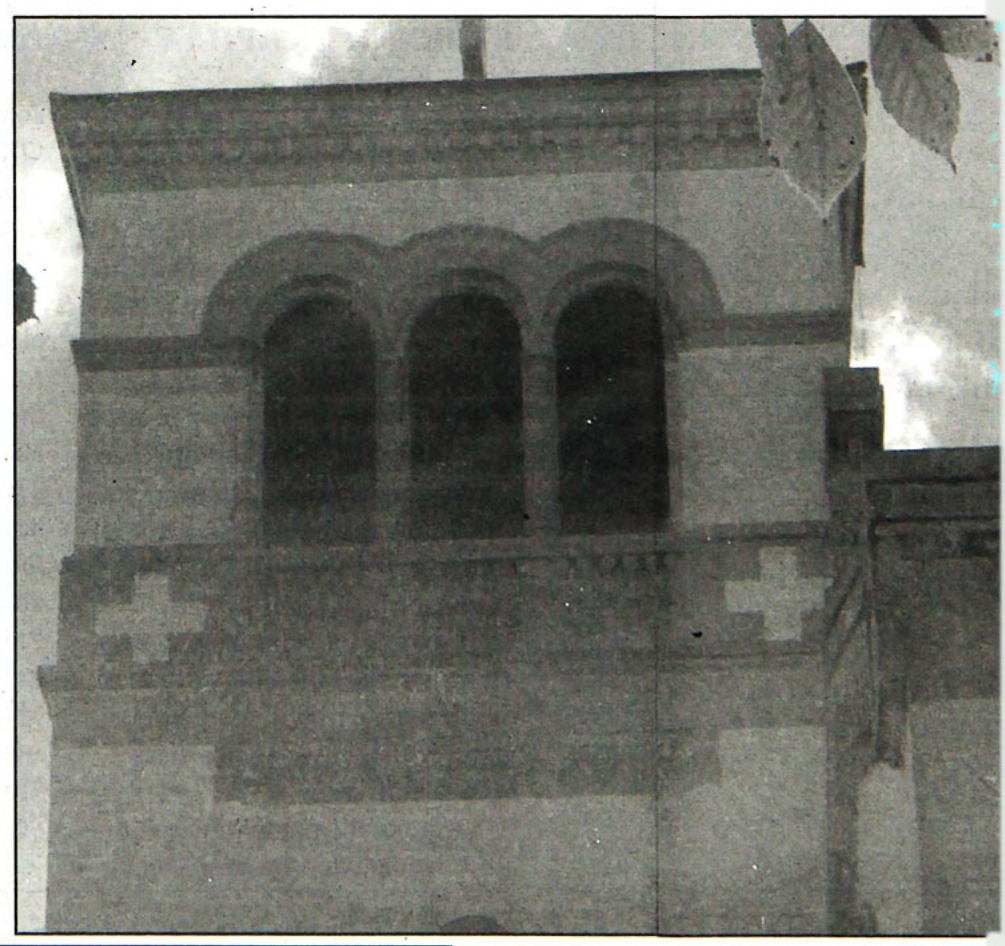
Catherine Dineen

"I enjoyed all four years here, but becoming a Sig Ep lil sis and making the friends I have made were definitely the highlights."

Allison Ennis

"I would have to say going to Boston with the SLU me
the experience, and the fun times."

Jeremy Chambers



"My most fondest memory is taking the boats out on the lake freshman year and eating meatloaf in the cafe. Then, we stormed the hill by Marmion and a tree almost fell on Wally's face."

Seth Epler

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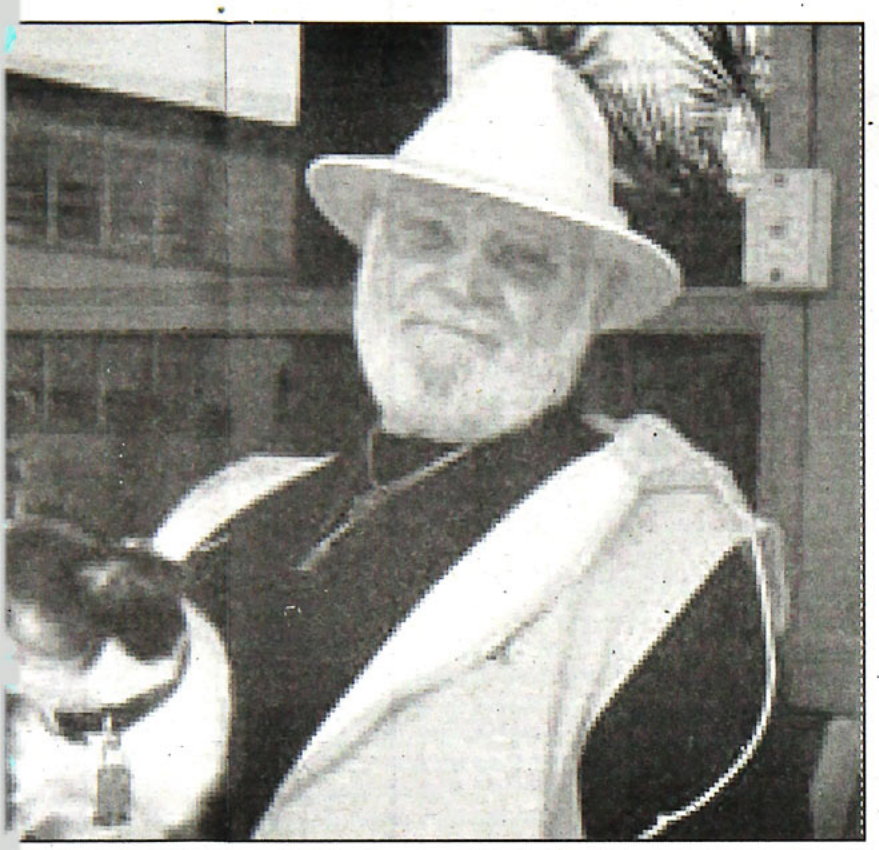
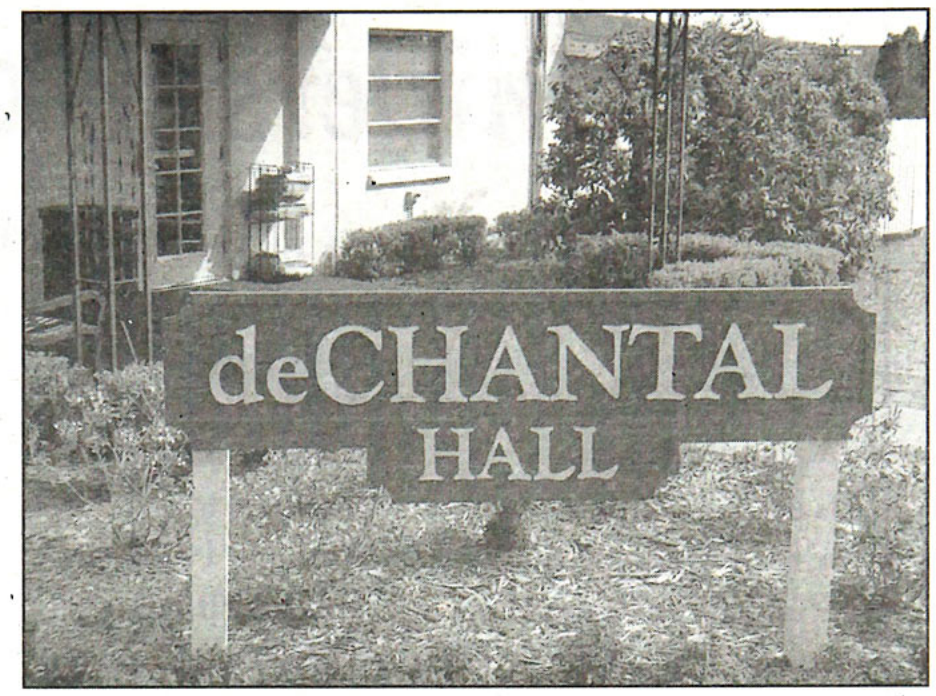


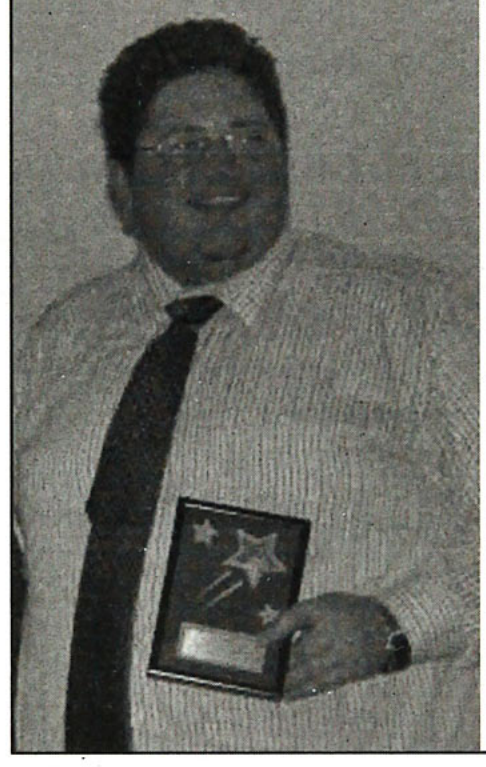


"I have two favorite memories. My favorite SLU academic memory was freshman year making the Dean's List and President's Club. My favorite athletic memory was running my 6k personal record as a junior."

Danielle Walters

"My favorite Saint Leo memory by far is the midnight snack runs to the Flying J with all my friends. Those were the best times."

Tracey Fifield



"After I graduate I am going back to Miami to work in the family business. My family is from Curacao, where we have been selling rum for generations. Now, we are bringing Rum San Pablo to the US, and that is where I will be working."

Ivar (Alex) Jeserun

going to Boston with the SLU men's soccer team and enjoying the whole trip, ne fun times."

"I'm from New York, so I plan on staying down here the Tampa area and get a job pertaining to my major which is International Hospitality & Tourism Management. I want to get a job at a major hotel in the Tampa area."

Xena Brooks Hairston

Many students turned out to hear Father Michael speak about Elaine Evans.

"It is so impossible to pick a favorite Saint Leo memory. I have loved every minute of Leo and can't believe the time has come to say goodbye. If I had to pick something, my favorite memory would be all of the laughs and jokes."

Catie O'Connor

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MCAT strategy workshop provided invaluable information to students

BY PRIYAMVADA CHAUDHARY
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An MCAT strategy workshop was held on March 20 in the Lions' Den. It lasted from 6:00 p.m. to about 7:30 p.m. and was organized by the KAPLAN test preparation association.

All biology majors were invited to attend, and it proved to be a very useful session. It informed the students about what the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) is all about. The Kaplan representative offered strategies for tackling the MCAT. He also provided important information, like what kind of questions students are likely to see on the test and when is the right time to give the test.

First, the MCAT was introduced to the students who attended the workshop, followed by significant information about the test. The test is administered by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). The MCAT is a standardized, paper-pencil, multiple-choice examination. It consists of four and three-quarters hours of multiple-choice testing and an hour for writing samples. With all of the sections and breaks, the test can last for more than 6 hours. It consists of four sections: the verbal reasoning section, which is 85 minutes long, and is composed of 9-10 passages and 65 questions; the physical sciences section, which is 100 minutes long, and is composed of 11 passages and 77 questions covering topics in physics and general chemistry; the writing sample section, which requires two essays to be written in 1 hour, 30 minutes per essay; the biological sciences section is 100 minutes long and consists of 11 passages having 77 questions covering topics in biology and organic chemistry. There is a short break administered between each section, and an hour break is given for lunch after the physical sciences section.

The thing to note is that the MCAT is changing starting April 2007. It is soon becoming a computer-based test. There are some significant changes that students might want to make a note of. The verbal reasoning section will be shortened from 65 questions to 60 questions. It will have a maximum of nine questions per passage. Scores of 14-15 will be possible to attain. The physical sciences and the verbal reasoning sections will switch places; the physical sciences section will be held first, and the verbal reasoning section second. Genetics and DNA questions will be included with biological sciences. Specifically speaking, 3 questions of organic chemistry will be replaced with 3 questions from genetics and DNA. The MCAT score report will provide a total, combined score along with the scores for individual sections.

The score report for the test will be sent to the medical schools students apply to. It will have four scores, a scaled score for each of the four sections. The verbal reasoning, the biological sciences, and the physical sciences section will have a score ranging between 1 to 15. The writing sample will have a score from J to T; T will be the highest and J the lowest. Medical schools will consider individual scores for each section and also the combined score.

After all the information was given at the workshop, there was a 10 question challenge that students were asked to attempt. The questions were challenging for many of the freshmen and other students who haven't taken courses like organic chemistry and physics, yet. The representative discussed each question and how to answer it. He said after reading the question, stop, then think, then predict an answer using the knowledge outside the question, and finally choose an answer. The ways in which he explained some of the questions proved to be very useful to the students as they knew what to look for and think. The representative discussed the test preparation program that Kaplan offers. It enrolls students and helps them work with strategies and ways to go about the MCAT.

Overall, it proved to be a very informative and useful experience. The students who gave their email addresses received emails from Kaplan. Many even received calls asking us if they had any questions.

Getting into medical school is the result of continuous effort put in over the years as an undergraduate student. The effort that a student puts in combined with a little guidance and help from organizations like Kaplan could help students achieve their goals. Students need to be familiarized with the test before they can actually take it. Kaplan does exactly this; but in addition, it also teaches students how to take advantage of testing strategies to maximize performance.

"It was a great opportunity to be made aware of the necessary requirements needed for the MCAT," said Magda Baksh, a freshman aspiring to take the MCAT in the future. "The whole program was informative and interesting. I even received a follow-up call from Kaplan."

It was an enriching experience; and hopefully, students will be able to hold it. It will be a useful tool for many students with the help of which admission to medical colleges would be made a little easier.

"We have come a long way in five years; our students continue to get better each year, and our top graduates truly live the core value of excellence," said Dr. Jerome K. Williams, a fifth year chemistry professor in the math & sciences division and the pre-health professions advisor. "With a placement rate for professional schools now above 90 percent, it is gratifying to see the final product that we produce, one capable of competing anywhere."

A high level of communication exists between college students and their parents

BY LEONARD BATES
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Most college students move far away from home or just far enough where they do not have contact with their parents on an everyday basis. However, many others do not let distance get between them and their parents, keeping a very close relationship.

The first ever National Survey of Parent Experience, which was conducted by College Parents of America (www.collegeparents.org), determined that today's parents have a close relationship with their kids, despite them being miles away. It was completed online by two percent, or 900, of the organization's 40,000 members and subscribers who currently have children in college. According to College Parents of America, it is the nation's only membership organization dedicated to advocating for and providing practical to parents of current and college-bond students."

The College Parents of America survey said, 74 percent, or three in four current college parents communicate at least "two to three times a week" with their sons or daughters while they are at a college or university, with 34 percent, or more than one in three, having such communication on at least a daily basis.

This is an electronic society, so it was not strange that parents said they communicated with their children over the cell phone. Some use the impersonal email, but not too many, only 58 percent, as opposed to 90 percent of users who use cell phone. Barely anyone uses mail to communicate, only 7 percent. However, they do use it to send care packages.

Many parents choose to visit their sons and/or daughters at school throughout their collegiate experience. Seventy-five percent of parents said they visited at orientation in the beginning when their children were first going to attend school, and 17 percent said they continued to visit at least once or twice a month.

"Parents of today's college students have come to be called helicopter [parents] because of the perception that they hover, hover and hover some more over the lives of their children, choosing to land whenever and wherever they want," said James A. Boyle, president, College Parents of America. "While many can disagree about the desirability of parents taking such and active role, what our survey demonstrates is that no one can argue with the reality of such behavior."

This behavior is true at Saint Leo.

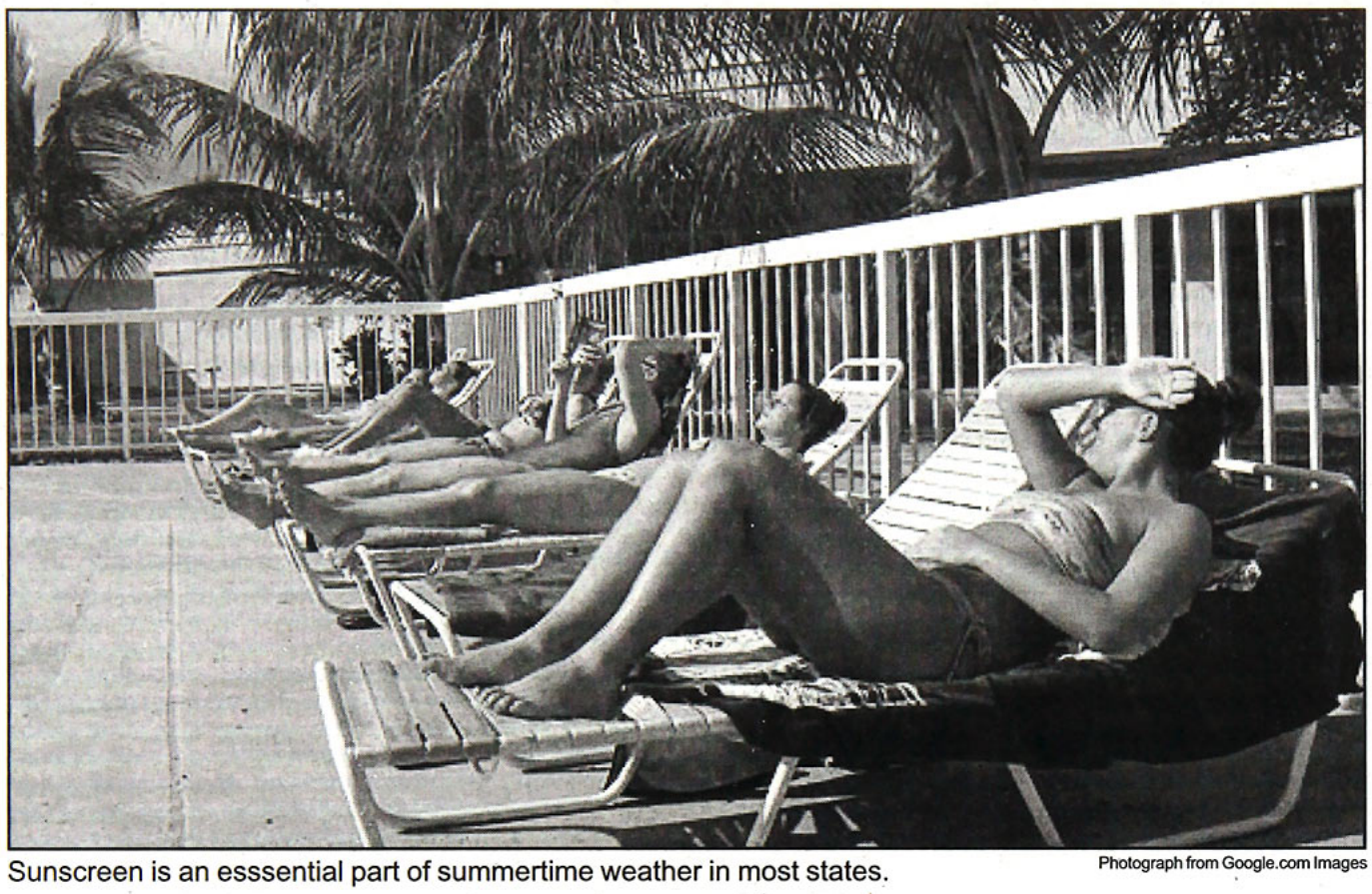
"I've talked to my parents every single day since I've been here," said junior Francine Rosario from New York City. "If I miss a day or two, it is because I'm extremely busy, but I rarely do."

Many parents say they're being very involved despite their own parent's lack of involvement when they were in college; in fact, 74 percent agreed to this.

But what does involve mean? More then 61 percent of the respondents said they used the "parent-oriented Web site." Many others simply were concerned with various factors that attending college has to offer, like finances, their children's grades, and health safety.

While many parents might have different concerns than others, the underlining truth is they have concerns for their children because at some point or another "they've been there and they've done that."

Arts & Entertainment



Sunscreen is an esssential part of summertime weather in most states.

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Summer fun can sometimes equal sunburn

BY CAITLIN CRAFT
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The Sunshine State is really beginning to shine as the summer months are approaching and the light sweaters and jeans go back in the dresser until next winter. Summer in Florida means means crazy parties, girls in bikinis, hot surfers, and beautiful white sand beaches. However, upon returning to school from spring break, the campus was buzzing with stories of fun in the sun, and Myspace and Facebook were packed with pictures of students who spent a little bit too much time in the sun. As evidenced by the pictures, this can result in a painful "speak for itself" story of scorched red skin with coming attractions of peeling, A.K.A sunburn. So, for students planning on hitting the beach for a few hours everyday, twice a day, here are a few helpful hints that might keep you and your skin cool for the summer.

First of all, the most important component in your beach bag, besides a beach towel and a cool pair of sunglasses, should be sunscreen. Sunscreen is your skin's best friend in the sun, and who better to take out in the sun than your friend. Sunscreens block or absorb ultraviolet light, which the sun gives off. All sunscreens are labeled with an SPF, or sun protection factor. The SPF acts like a multiplying factor. If you would normally be tolerable in the sun for 10 minutes and you apply an SPF 10 sunscreen, you will be tolerable in the sun for 100 minutes. However, in order for the sunscreen to work properly, application must be done about half an hour before going out in the sun, so it can bind to your skin. The skin's reaction to the sun varies from person to person. Although, most dermatologists recommend everyone wear sunscreen, even if it is at a low SPF, to prevent any long-term damage to your skin.

"Despite the horrid sunburn I returned to school with, I still enjoy laying out in the sun. It's relaxing, and when you don't turn out like a lobster, it looks good," said sophomore Sierra Yeargin.

According to WebMD, long-term exposure to the sun results in bright red skin that becomes extremely painful when touched. Most times, you can feel the heat radiating from the skin. When you get a sunburn, you have killed skin cells. The outer epidermis are already dead skin cells, but just below these cells is a continuous supply of new cells being created to replenish the top layer of dead cells. A sunburn is really a "delayed ultraviolet B-induced erythematic" caused by an increase in blood flow to the affected skin that begins about 4 hours and peaks between 8-24 hours following exposure. The development of erythema, therefore, implies that enough ultraviolet damage has occurred that inflammatory pathways have been activated. From a scientific point of view, a sunburn can be viewed as a marker for a "substantial ultraviolet over-exposure" that has clinical implications for skin cancer risk.

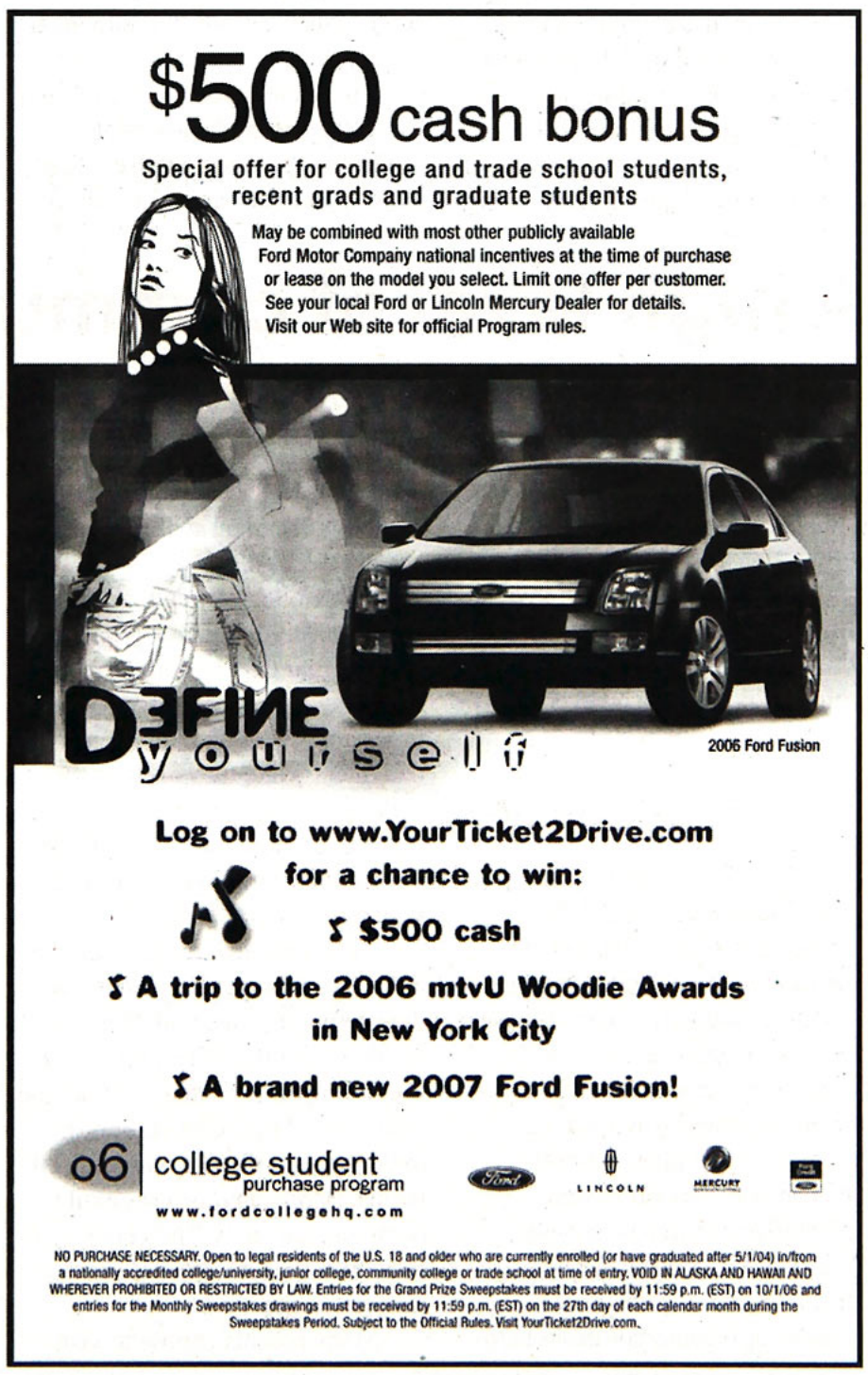
"Being out in the sun for soccer practice, I adapted some interesting tan lines. I came back from spring break with a burn, but no funny tan lines," said freshman girl's soccer goalie, Lauren Hudson.

For those who are to afraid to face the sun or for those who see a need for a tan during the winter months when it is too cold to be out in anything less than a few layers, sunless-tanning products can be used as a substitute. In today's market, there are several different kinds of sunless-tanning products available. Since the early 1960s, people have been able to get their tan from a bottle. Coppertone was the first to hit the market with its Quick Tanning Lotion. What it is most remembered for is the wonderful carrot orange hue it produced. This carrot color has become the fear for most sunless tanning products. There has been much advancement in self-tanning since the early years. Now, you can purchase tanning pills, self tanners, sunless tanners, bronzers, and a host of other similar type products.

"I have tried sunless tanning products; the products do work, but the color never seems to compare with a real tan," said freshman Cynthia Malone.

But for those looking for relief from their own flaming skin, there are a few household remedies to cool you down. Aloe Vera is the most common type of relief. Any type of lotion or gel with Aloe Vera in it helps to soothe skin and reduce the amount of peeling. Some other cures that will help to decrease pain and inflammation are apple cider vinegar, aspirin, and baths with lavender and chamomile essential oils.

For those who enjoy those long days at the beach, be forewarned that unlike the rest of your body, your skin cannot be replaced. Take care of your skin because it's got to last you a lifetime!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Now in Theatres!

The Wild: A lion's will to find his missing son takes him and his gang of animal friends to New York City.
Release: April 14th
Rating: G

Scary Movie 4: Starring Anna Faris and directed by David Zucker, the spook patrol is back with send-ups of *The Grudge*, *Saw*, *Saw II*, and *Million Dollar Baby*.
Release: April 14th
Rating: PG-13

The Notorious Bettie Page: Picturehouse entertainment presents this biographical picture of the life of a '50s pin-up girl, played by Gretchen Mol.
Release: April 14th, selected theatres
Rating: R

Ice Age: The Meltdown: This comical delight takes after the 2002 original movie *Ice Age*. The foursome is back to see the age to an end and beat the oncoming flood.
Release: In Theatres
Rating: PG

New CD Releases!

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Genre: **Rock**
Release: **In Stores**

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Genre: **Country**
Release: **In Stores**

Artist: **Three 6 Mafia**
Album: *Poppin My Collar (Single)*
Genre: **Rap**
Release: **April 18th**

Artist: **Goo Goo Dolls**
Album: *Let Love In*
Genre: **Rock**
Release: **April 25th**

Artist: **Godsmack**
Album: *IV*
Genre: **Rock**
Release: **April 25th**

Artist: **Taking Back Sunday**
Album: *Louder NOW*
Genre: **Rock**
Release: **April 25th**

Beware of risky online behavior

BY LEONARD BATES
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There has been some attention given to the fact the Internet has become something else besides a massive linkage of computers; it has become a predator's paradise.

It took an AIDS epidemic to teach the world about sexual transmitted diseases, and it took thousands of deaths at the hands of drunk-drivers to bring national attention to stop such behavior. Society is now in the middle of a national crisis, sexual predators. Thousands of teenagers and young adults get seduced into meeting men who claim to be their age, and some of those end up molested or dead. These predators focus on teens who have more access to the internet, 8 and 10 year olds are less likely to be in chat rooms than 12 and 13 year olds.

However, at the earliest, some children are getting online at 8 years old. The internet has made it possible for children to be a lot more interested in computers. By the time they are in middle school, about 12 years old, some already have years of computer experience. Talking online with computer programs such as AOL, and having profiles in websites like myspace.com is a hobby for many teens.

The danger with sites like myspace.com is the fact anyone can have a profile and therefore talk to anyone else; there is no age limit. In chat rooms kids can begin to experience meeting and talking to people from all over the world, and this is where the trouble begins. People begin to lie about their age, their sex, and many other factors. They meet with these girls or boys for sex or for other things.

Most recently, Dateline-NBC conducted an undercover investigation with pervetedjustice.com, in which pervetdjustice members pretended to be 12 or 13-year-old boys or girls. They were spoken to by men who wanted to have sex with them; the members invited these men to a house where Dateline cameras where waiting. The men who showed up ranged from ages 72 to 19 years old, and they wanted to have sex with these pre-teenagers.

Many times sex is not the only thing predators want; they also want to kill. A 17-year-old freshman at Virginia Commonwealth University disappeared last fall. Her remains where later found 75 miles away from her college campus. There was no real evidence that her disappearance had anything to do with the internet. However, it brought attention to this Internet crisis, and it showed many how dominant the Internet was in this teenager's life. She posted a lot of personal information on the internet, and she was not alone in doing this.

Millions of kids post personal information in websites like facebook.com, livejournal.com, and myspace.com. This is the way the youth is communicating today, and there is simply nothing wrong with that; however, when young adults and teenagers post personal information they are more vulnerable to people who want to harm them. Many who have personal information in their profiles say it is all innocent. But, when people post full names, addresses, cell phone numbers, and location on campus, it's pretty dangerous.

So, how does society stop online predators? The truth is they can't be stopped. Parents need to be aware at all times what their children are doing on their computers, and preferably have one computer in a family room where they can monitor their children. For college students, the best advice is to not give personal information online ever. By avoiding this very important factor, young adults and teenagers can save their lives and enjoy communication on the internet without any consequences.

Get your music: newer, cheaper download site

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According to the BBC News, for those recording companies still producing CDs to sell in stores, their jobs might be in jeopardy as the number of internet downloads, legal or not, override the number of CDs sold in stores. Albums sales in the US dipped down 7 percent in 2005, but the music download market doubled over the past year. According to early figures, sales stood at 602.2 million during the year. This was down from 650.8 million in 2004. On the other hand, downloaded music reached 332.7 million for 2005, an increase of 148 percent from the previous year.

The increase of music downloads in the past year has also increased the number of sites that will offer such services. For instance, one particular site may give iTunes a run for its money, literally. For less than the cost of a single song on iTunes, students can download entire albums on Allofmp3.com.

In the U.S., something known as cheap is not exactly the way to attract customers, but this site doesn't sacrifice quality for a low price. Downloads take about a minute or two depending on the length, and while the quote prices for just high quality, students can pay a little extra to get CD quality sound.

The only catch to this new site is that students have to pony up at least $10 into an account before they can start downloading, although they do get a twenty cent credit when opening up an account before paying into the balance. But when students consider that $10 is enough to buy over 100 songs if they choose them right, it's really not that much of a gamble.

This site, compared to others that charge to download, such as, iTunes or MusicMatch Jukebox, has definite potential. The only difference between these two sites is the cost of songs. MusicMatch has every song priced as 99 cents; whereas, Allofmp3.com charges anywhere from a few pennies to 99 cents.

There are still those sites out there that offer similar services for free; however, there are still laws in existence for file sharing and music piracy. Not to mention, these free sites are powered by their sponsors, which tend to be those pesky pop-ups that download unwanted files into your computer waiting to corrupt.

Most college students tend to have no money to spare for music and are drawn to the word free, advertised by sites such as Kazza and Lime Wire. However, this site is safe to use and cheap, another word college students are drawn to. Where else can students find whole albums for the pocket change they find in the laundry or the couch cushions?

Sports

A preview to the Major League Baseball season

BY DAVE CAWLEY
Special to the Lions' Pride

For Red Sox fans, like me, there's something disturbing about seeing the White Sox parading around with the World Series trophy and patches on their hats. We just want to feel that magic again and think we may never. Here are my division winners…

American League East

Boston Red Sox: The most efficient off-seasons in my lifetime. Coco Crisp is Johnny Damon 4 years ago with just a little more speed and power. Wily Mo Pena has ungodly power according to David Ortiz; plus his name is Wily Mo. (He and Coco were born to play in Boston.) Josh Beckett has proven he can beat the Yankees and win a World Series. The acquisition of Hee-Sop Choi has the Korean Red Sox fan base happy – all 12 of them. Bronson Arroyo will be missed, but he couldn't pitch against left-handed hitters, and his 87 MPH fastball was still losing velocity. I WILL miss Tim McCarver calling him Brandon though, and I'll especially miss John MacDonald calling him Kyle Arroyo. Only the Yankees have a better lineup, and only the White Sox and Astros have better pitching staffs. They win the east.

Fan Quote: "I just don't see us losing a game this year." – Greg Thibeault - Hooksett, New Hampshire

American League Central

Chicago White Sox: Still the team to beat. Added another solid starter but lost El Duque, who was Satchel Paige during last year's playoffs. They added a big left-handed bat to protect Konerko and Dye in Jim Thome. Overall, a pretty good off-season. Very rarely do teams win the World Series and are better the next year. I'm scared of them, but I am looking forward to watching Juan Uribe throwing across the diamond unnecessarily hard to show off his arm and hearing John MacDonald mispronouncing "OO-ree-bay throws him out." How does this guy still have a job?

Fan Quote: "Thome and Konerko are the best 3-4 combination in baseball." – Matt Lazwardo – Toms River, New Jersey

American League West

Oakland A's: Billy Beane is my idol and the best general manager in baseball. This year is the year that Harden, Sarloos, Street, and Blanton turn into the Barry Zito, Mark Mulder, and Tim Hudson that Beane shaped. As long as they can get on-base and wear down pitchers, though not a great playoff philosophy, they'll win the west.

Fan Quote: Apparently there are no A's fans at Saint Leo

Wild Card

New York Yankees: The Johnny Damon signing gives baseball fans the notion that the Yankees had a huge off-season. By the way, as a Red Sox fan I actually asked my 80- year-old Irish great uncle, "How many people do you think Steinbrenner killed to sign Johnny?" He answered, without missing a beat, "7 helpless babies." That's how Red Sox fans think. Damon was a great pick-up, but besides Johnson and Rivera, the rest of the pitching staff is questionable. Having a weak farm system with little prospects and a weak free-agent market for starting pitching, the Yankees have a marginal staff this year, but they have Robinson Cano batting 9th; they can afford it. Farnsworth won't do the set up job Gordon has the last couple years. Their lineup is better than the Red Sox, but the pitching staff is too weak to win the division, and they'll eek out the wild card over the Indians by three games.

Fan Quote: "They're going to play small ball this year." – Andy Buelvas - Orlando, Florida

National League East

Atlanta Braves: I've picked against the Braves every year for the past 6, and they've won 13 straight division titles. Burn me once. Andruw and Chipper Jones and Edgar Renteria are solid veterens, and Jeff Francoeur, Adam Laroche, Pete (Bobby) Orr, Ryan Langerhans, and Wilson Betemit are going to have outstanding years. The entire pitching staff is one of the best in baseball and the Braves edge out the Mets for the East.

Fan Quote: None

National League Central

St. Louis Cardinals: As long as Rolen and Edmonds can hit, they'll blow out this division. Pujols is the best hitter in baseball (Notice, I put him above Manny and Ortiz.) and fellow New Hampshire native Chris Carpenter is going to have another run at the Cy Young and is backed up by Mark Mulder, Soup, and Izzy. They'll win the Central by 10 games.

Fan Quote: "I can't believe they traded Nunez, Mabry, and Grudzielanek!!! At least we have Scott Rolen back!!" – Dr. Susan Foster

National League West

San Francisco Giants: But who cares? I'm sick of Bonds. I hope Billy Wagner nails his ailing knee with a 100 MPH fastball and ends his career. This division doesn't matter because it's full of cellar dwellers. Whoever wins this will be slightly above .500 and out in 3 games in the NLDS against the Cardinals. Moving on.

Fan Quote: "Who cares?" - Me

Wild Card

Mets: Without Clemens, the Astros won't survive. They still have a great pitching staff, but the Mets are a powerhouse this year with the addition of Delgado and Wagner. They FINALLY have a closer. Beltran will adjust to New York this year, Reyes will develop an eye at the plate, and David Wright will hit 30-40 homeruns. They'll edge out the Astros by a couple games.

Fan Quote: "The addition of Billy Wagner is vital to the bullpen and will help push the Mets into the playoffs." – Brian Johnson - Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Keep in mind, these are just stabs in the dark. The great thing about baseball is the long season and the unpredictability of it. We could see the division winners be the D-Rays, Royals, Mariners, Pirates, Rockies, and Diamondbacks, but those are as likely as coming back from a 0-3 deficit.

Saint Leo men's and women's golf teams finish seventh In SSC championships

The Saint Leo University men's and women's golf teams closed out their respective seasons with seventh-place finishes in the Sunshine State Conference Championships at Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club in Dade City last Monday and Tuesday.

Lynn University won the men's title with a score of 890, while the Lions shot 305-308-313—926 in the 54-hole tournament. Rollins College captured the women's crown at 922, while Saint Leo shot 358-356-370—1084.

On the men's side, sophomore Jonathon Mine of Zephyrhills led the way by finishing tied for 16th place at 75-76-79—230. He was followed by junior Jacob Halligan of Taylor Mill, KY at 75-78-80—233 (tied for 23rd); senior Jason Claridge of Land O'Lakes, Fla., 77-77-80—234 (tied for 28th); junior Brian Schmidt of Sarasota, Fla., (82-77-77—236 (tied for 32nd); and freshman Bryan Jonasson of Needham, MA 78-81-77—236 (tied for 32nd).

Freshman Angie Sparagowski of Sylvania, OH led the way for the Saint Leo women at 83-85-92—260, which was good enough for 25th place. She was followed by freshman Samantha Chu of New Port Richey, Fla., 88-90-90—268 (28th place); freshman Meghan Costello of Emerson, NJ 95-87-94—276 (31st place); and sophomore Mallory Rausch of Riverview, Fla., 92-94-94—280 (33rd place).

Saint Leo lacrosse team ends inaugural season on very high note

The Saint Leo University lacrosse team concluded its inaugural season Saturday at home on a very high note by overpowering Presbyterian College 20-5. The Lions finished 3-8 on the season. Seniors Adam Wintenburg, a goalie from Port Orange, Fla., and defender Dale Johnson of San Antonio, Fla., were honored prior to the game.

Junior attackman Ryan Harris of Vestal, NY completed the season as the team's leading scorer with 48 points on 31 goals and 17 assists, while freshman attackman Ben Brigham of Scituate, MA is second with 21 points on 17 goals and four assists.
Freshman midfielder Chris Storrie of Syracuse, NY led the win over Presbyterian with six goals, while Harris had three goals and eight assists, and Brigham four goals and two assists.